

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 1773

Examiner: K. Kruer

In re application of

Takafumi ATARASHI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/254,005

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For: CONSOLIDATED MATERIAL OF COATED POWDERS AND PROCESS FOR

PRODUCING THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action of October 11, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

The claims are amended as follows:

1. (Three times amended)

A consolidated material of coated powders in the

form of a molded, three-dimensional article, said coated powders each comprising a base particle having thereon a coating film having a uniform thickness of 0.01 to 20 µm, wherein the coated powders are mutually adhered at the coating film, the base particle comprises a glass, a metal, or a metal oxide, and the coating film is a metal film or a metal oxide film, wherein the coated

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